



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
CREEKS RESTORATION/WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

REGULAR MEETING

December 20, 2006

DAVID GEBHARD PUBLIC MEETING ROOM, 630 GARDEN STREET

CALL TO ORDER

Chair DeVoe called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Committee members present: Chair DeVoe, Daniel Hochman, Bruce Klobucher,
Michael Jordan, Lee Moldaver, Jeff Phillips, David Pritchett, Daniel Wilson

Committee members absent: George Weber

Liaison members present: County Project Clean Water Liaison Almy, Councilmember
Falcone

Liaison members absent: Planning Commissioner Jostes, Park and Recreation
Commissioner Longstreet

Staff present: Creeks Restoration/Clean Water Manager Jill E. Zachary, Creeks Water
Resources Specialist Autumn McKee, Creeks Restoration Planner, George
Johnson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion:

Committee members Jordan/Hochman to approve the minutes of the regular
meeting of November 8, 2006.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote. (Absent: Committee member Weber)

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one wished to speak.

COMMITTEE MEMBER AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OUTGOING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ms. Zachary acknowledged and thanked Ms. DeVoe and Mr. Pritchett for their time serving the Committee.

Mr. Hochman, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Klobucher, Ms. DeVoe, Councilmember Falcone, and Mr. Moldaver acknowledged and thanked Mr. Pritchett for his time on the Committee.

Mr. Jordan, Councilmember Falcone, and Mr. Moldaver acknowledged and thanked Ms. DeVoe for her time on the Committee and her role as Chair.

BUSINESS ITEMS (Items numbered 8a – 8b)

8. a Subject: Proposed California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Wetland Restoration Mitigation Project on Sycamore Creek

Recommendation:

That the Committee receive a presentation from Caltrans on the wetlands restoration project on Sycamore Creek.

Documents:

December 14, 2006, Creeks Division Staff Report
November 2, 2006, Planning Division Staff Report to Park and Recreation Commission
Undated, Caltrans Mitigation Plan Construction Details
Undated, Daltrans Mitigation Site Planting Plan

Speakers:

Staff - Jill E. Zachary, Creeks Restoration/Clean Water Manager
Caltrans – Mitch Dallas, Associate Environmental Planner

Committee Comments:

The Committee discussed the potential to reuse fill dirt on site; potential water quality improvements; the project's relationship to the Andrée Clark Bird Refuge; the potential for roadway pollutants to enter the creek; the Parks Division's maintenance responsibilities; and the proposed planting palette.

8. b Subject: Integrated Regional Water Management Plan

Recommendation:

That the Committee receive a summary of the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP)

Documents:

December 20, 2006, Creeks Division Staff Report
December 15, 2006, IRWMP – Projects submitted by the City

Speakers:

Staff – Autumn McKee, Creeks Water Resources Specialist

Committee Comments:

The Committee discussed the City's financial contribution to the IRWMP; the prioritization of projects; additional funding sources for projects; and the types of projects submitted.

MANAGER'S REPORT (Items numbered 9a -9b)

9. a Manager's Program Update

Ms. Zachary reported that the Arroyo Burro Estuary and Mesa Creek Restoration Community Planting Day was a success with more than 100 community members attending. She stated that the ribbon cutting event will take place January 17, 2007 at 10:30 a.m.

Ms. Zachary reported that the Westside SURF project is complete and was largely funded through the Clean Beaches Initiative.

9. b Tentative Meeting Agenda

Ms. Zachary reviewed the tentative meeting agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair DeVoe adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill E. Zachary
Creeks Restoration/Clean Water Manager